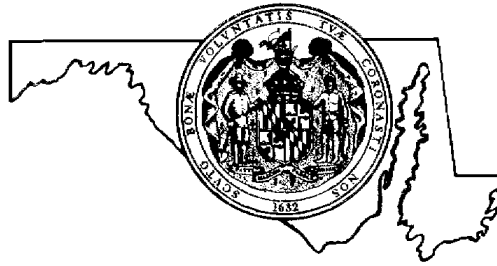


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QUESTIONS & RESPONSES

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QUESTION: Can you provide a list of the datasets the Maryland Health Care Commission can make available to the selected contractor to support an assessment of the current landscape of EHR adoption and meaningful use achievement?

RESPONSE: The MHCC may provide a limited access to datasets from the following sources:

Maryland Board of Physicians data on licensed physicians and reported EHR adoption
Maryland Regional Extension Center data on program achievements
Management Service Organization survey data on provider satisfaction
State-Regulated Payor Incentive Program, annual data reported by payers as required in COMAR 10.25.16

QUESTION: Are there any restrictions on the usage of the datasets by the selected contractor?

RESPONSE: The MHCC may restrict contractor's access to specific data elements within each dataset and require the contractor to enter into a Dataset Use Agreement.

QUESTION: Can you describe the extent of original data collection expected of the selected contractor beyond interviews and focus groups?

RESPONSE: The contract will be expected to meet the data collection requirements set forth in the Bid Board, which includes conducting interviews, focus groups, and gathering information on *other states' progress achieved toward adoption and meaningful use of EHRs and strategies other states are implementing to accelerate adoption*. The contractor may specify an alternate approach within their proposal.